

Worship Directory

ORDER OF SERVICE AT AN ORDINARY
DIET OF WORSHIP.

1. One or more sentences of Scripture.
2. Prayer of invocation.
3. Praise---Psalm or Hymn
4. First Reading of Scriptures(O.T.).
5. Prayer of--
Adoration, Thanksgiving, Confession,
Petition, for pardon, cleansing; for
Grace and every Blessing.
6. Praise--chanted Psalm, Hymn, or Anthem
7. Second Reading of Scripture(N.T.).
8. Praise
9. Prayer of Intercession, ending with
Lord's Prayer.
10. Praise
11. Prayer for Illumination.(brief).
12. Sermon or Lecture.
13. Prayer for blessing on the preaching
14. Praise--Doxology
15. Benediction.

PRAYERS OF INVOCATION.

I.

How excellent is thy lovingkindness: O God; therefore do the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. Satisfy us now with the goodness of thy House. In Thy sight make us to see light. May Thy Holy Spirit be with us in prayer and praise, in speaking and hearing from Thy Holy Word. And do Thou bless us with all spiritual blessing in Jesus Christ, for His Name's sake. Amen.

II.

O God, the preparation of the heart and the opening of the lips are from Thee. Quicken us after Thy lovingkindness, that we may call aright upon Thy Holy Name. Meet with us in prayer and praise and in the Word. Make this a day of blessing to us all in Thy House, for Jesus sake. Amen.

III.

Almighty and everlasting God, teach us to worship Thee who art a Spirit in spirit and in truth. Take away all blindness of heart, all coldness and backwardness of spirit. Open Thou our lips, and our mouth shall show forth Thy praise. Open our hearts to receive Thy truth in the love of it. May Christ be glorified in the preaching of His Gospel, and in the services of His House this day, for His name's sake. Amen.

IV.

O God, the Father of Mercies and the God of all Grace, let all those who seek Thee in this Thy House today rejoice and be glad in Thee. If there are some here who feel that they are poor and needy, make them to know that Thou the Lord, thinkest on them. Be their help and their deliverer now. Prepare our hearts for praise and prayer, and for Thy Holy Word. And bless us all, above our askings, for Jesus sake. & Amen.

GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto Thy Name, O most High: to show forth Thy lovingkindness in the morning and Thy faithfulness every night.

We will extoll Thee, O our God, O King, and praise Thy Name for ever and ever. Every day will we bless Thee and we will praise Thy Name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable. One generation shall praise Thy works to another, and shall declare Thy mighty acts.

We will speak of the glorious honor of Thy majesty, and of Thy

wondrous works. Men shall speak of the might of Thy terrible acts: and we will declare Thy greatness.

O Lord, Thou art good to all: and Thy tender mercies are over all Thy works.

All Thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord, and Thy saints shall bless Thee.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, and Thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest Thy hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

While we live we will praise Thee, O Lord: we will sing praises unto Thee our God, while we have any being.

ENUMERATION OF MERCIES.

1. For our birth and being:

born in a land where Thy Name is feared

where we are free to read t